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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated production of sugar in the country during 2005-06;

(b) whether the production of sugar is likely to increase much more than the previous year;

(c) if so, whether there is likely to be a surplus of sugar in the country during the current year; and

(d) if so, the manner in which Government propose to utilize the surplus stock?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): While it is too early to estimate the sugar production for 2005-2006 sugar season, with normal monsoon, area under sugarcane has reportedly increased leading to expectations of higher sugar production.

(c) & (d): Sufficient stock of sugar would be available to meet the domestic requirement in the country.